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#1 What can you do?

- Join Advisory Council
- Clean up of facility (equipment, sweeping, chairs, etc.)
- Volunteers being able to open facility to community
- Community work parties (grounds, painting, clean-up)
- Volunteer at fundraisers (pancake breakfast)
- Place information up at site about facility changes
- * Talking up community center programs / events to neighbors / friends
- People are already so busy
- Volunteers are limited
- Attend community meetings
- Advisory Council members are getting burned out
- What rewards are there for volunteers?
- * Get more volunteers (Advisory Councils)
- Call City representatives / e-mail them
- Outreach to families so they can volunteer together
- * Keep using programs
- Recruit new users
- Tell friends and neighbors about classes / programs
- Let elected officials know how we feel about programs
- Improved communication by staff / Advisory Council on events / programs
- Monthly calendar / e-mails of upcoming events
- Keep using programs
- Recruit new users
- Tell friends & neighbors

#2 What should we keep doing?

- * Means multiple comments
- Keep the Sr. Adult line dancing on Tues. @ 10:15 11:15 am w/current instructor
- Keep Lifelong Rec programs @ all sites also not all sites
- *Keep LLR pickle ball 10:00am noon, M W F
- Keep youth basketball
- * Keep special events: egg hunt, Halloween carnival, etc.; do more pancake breakfast
- Keeping teen + youth + seniors
- Lights on fields and tennis courts longer, not just when rented
- Provide open gym drop-in time for teens + young adults + adults Sundays, 1:00- 3:00

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- * Keep good staff + present staff
- Keep maintaining the beauty of the parks inc. filed turf (functionality of Parks & Rec)
- Converting wading pools to spray features
- Teens programs + drop-in
- Sr. Volleyball LLR
- Girls volleyball
- Hubbing programs
- * Keep toddler gym
- Keep working with ARC to provide programming
- Keep scholarships

#3 What should we prioritize?

- Programs that have the most financial benefit to the center.
- Programs that serve the most amount of families / people
- Keep programs for families with young children
- Wading pool should be open one day on the weekend.
- Adult programs don't need enough staff
- Programs that cost the center the least
- Don't / won't to duplicate programs offered elsewhere in the community, i.e. Tae Kwon Do
- Keep toddler gym (access for all families).
- People are waiting for the Dako Street facility to open
- Roller skating here like Alki (find out what it takes)
- Cooperate with other neighborhood centers in the area
- LLRecreation, ie line dancing, sound step, field trips, pickle ball
- Youth basketball
- All youth programs
- Special events, ie egg hunt, halloween carnival
- Childcare program and pre-school
- Kids programs / senior programs
- Community activities, ie pancake breakfast, egg hunt, Halloween carnival, fun fest
- Wise use of your people, ie not overloaded on one side
- Building maintenance
- Keep money making programs
- Youth, teens, & senior programs
- Finding ways to keep the community center open outside of the 45hrs the City is giving

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- Summer concerts & the Med fest
- Whatever money made should stay here at the center
- Communication (coordination with the schools)
- Teen community service hours
- Maintain the same level of staffing (higher echelon)
- More community meetings (like this)

#4 What should we stop doing?

- Budget cuts
- Stop making changes (keep pickle ball the same)
- Stop moving staff
- Get rid of social based food programs increase if big expense
- Stop being general be more specific at each center on programming
- Stop cutting hours
- Stop running unsuccessful programs
- Stop doing programs serving the least amount of people
- Stop being everything to everyone
- Stop replicating programs
- Stop being separate from the seniors (collaborate more)
- Stop making the brochures confusing
- Stop being separate from the senior center, collaborate more, share info.